

II. CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1.(canceled)

2. (currently amended) The fastener, according to ~~claim 1~~ claim 11, wherein said interference surface forms an angle with a line parallel to said longitudinal axis in a range of between .5 degrees to 2 degrees.

3. (canceled)

4. (currently amended) The fastener, according to ~~claim 1~~ claim 11, wherein said interference surfaces are constructed to provide an interference fit only at a forward portion of said driver and to allow said driver to have a surface to surface contact with said wings at a rearward portion of said driver.

5. (currently amended) The fastener, according to ~~claim 1~~ claim 11, wherein said first radial distance is constructed substantially according to a standard recess opening of a spiral type recess.

6-10. (previously canceled)

11.(new) A fastener having a shank with a longitudinal axis, said shank constructed having a recess formed at its end, wherein said recess comprises:

a central portion and a plurality of wings radiating outwardly from the central portion, each of the wings having an installation wall and a removal wall, the wings being configured so that at least one of the installation or removal walls defines a segment of a spiral over its extent;

a transition surface extending between each of the installation and removal walls of adjacent wings, at the radially inner most extent of said wings, each of said transition surfaces formed having an interference contour extending radially

inward into the central portion, said contour being tapered from a first radial distance from the longitudinal axis at a top portion thereof to a second radial distance from said longitudinal axis at a bottom portion thereof; and

wherein said first radial distance is larger than said second radial distance and wherein said interference contours of said transition surfaces are diametrically opposed across said recess and said interference contours of said transition surfaces cooperate to form an interference fit with a driver constructed to engage said recess.